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ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE
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Removal of Old Trees
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are any guidelines with regard to cutting down of old trees in a phased manner and planting new trees in place of the same;
(b) if so, the details thereof;
(c) whether old trees are producing only carbon dioxide after a lapse of certain period; and
(d) if so, the steps taken by the Government to allow cutting down of old trees and plantation of new plants throughout the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

(SHRI ANIL MADHAV DAVE)

(a) & (b)The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change has not issued any guidelines with regard to cutting down of old trees and replacing with new trees.
(c) & (d)As per some published research work, old trees are not net 'Carbon dioxide generators'.

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